

Lloyd's Register of Shipping,

Ramsden Square,

Barrow-in-Furness, 2 - 5 - 23.

Dear Mr. Watt,

Messrs Vickers Ltd are requesting a provisional assignment of freeboard for their S.S. No.607, and the necessary particulars are being forwarded offically tonight.

The case appears to us to be rather unique inas-
much as an opening is proposed in the bridge front and pro-
vided with weather boards, so that that space may be exempted
from the tonnage, and it is rather difficult for us to judge
what allowance is to be made in this erection with regard to
the freeboard.

The vessel is being built for Messrs Harries
Brothers of Swansea, and they desire if possible to get the ton-
nage below 1600 so as to be exempt from wireless regulations..

Mr. Redshaw, the designer at Messrs Vickers,
with whom we have discussed the case, advises us that the
Superintendent for the Owners has already approached the Board
of Trade in London regarding the matter, and was told that pro-
viding suitable tonnage openings were made in the Bridge Space



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be exempted, but they did not indicate what they require.

In the circumstances I have thought it advisable to give you as much information regarding the case as I could.

With kind regards.

Yours truly.

Wm Cowie

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